

IAP20 Rec'd PCT/PTO 23 DEC 2005

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of)	
)	
Naoki HASHIGUCHI)	Group Art Unit:
)	
Application No.: Unassigned)	Examiner:
)	
Filed: December 23, 2005)	Confirmation No.:
)	
For: ELEVATOR APPARATUS)	
)	
)	
)	
)	

FIRST INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the accompanying information is being submitted in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98.

The listed documents were cited in the International Search Report in the corresponding PCT application.


To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner initialed copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

BUCHANAN INGERSOLL PC

Date December 23, 2005

By:


James A. LaBarre
Registration No. 28,632

P.O. Box 1404
Alexandria, VA 22313-1404
(703) 836-6620

Substitute for form 1449A/PTO & 1449B/PTO

Complete if Known

**FIRST
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE
STATEMENT BY APPLICANT**

(use as many sheets as necessary)

Sheet	1	of	1	Application Number	10/562054
				Filing Date	December 23, 2005
				First Named Inventor	Naoki HASHIGUCHI
				Examiner Name	
				Attorney Docket Number	025260-105

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials	Document Number	Kind Code (if known)	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Issue/Publication Date (MM-DD-YYYY)

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials	Document Number	Kind Code (if known)	Country	Date of Publication (MM-DD-YYYY)	STATUS						
					Translation	Partial Translation	Eng. Lang. Summary	Search Report	IPER	Abstract	Cited in Spec
	*05-306083		Japan	11-19-1993						X	
	*09-165163		Japan	06-24-1997						X	X

NON-PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.

*Copy Attached

Examiner Signature	Date Considered
--------------------	-----------------

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with M.P.E.P. § 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to Applicant.
Form Letters I